

WE CLAIM:

1. A hanger assembly adapted for hanging from a backrest of a chair, the backrest having a top edge and two opposite lateral edges, said hanger assembly comprising:

a mounting member including a mounting seat extending in an upright direction and having front and rear side surfaces that are respectively distal from and proximate to the backrest and that are opposite to each other in a first direction that is transverse to the upright direction;

a hooking member extending upwardly from said mounting seat and terminating at a hook that is adapted to engage the top edge of the backrest;

a gripping arm unit coupled to said mounting seat and including a first arm of a length, said first arm having proximate and distal segments relative to said mounting seat, said distal segment being disposed to be position-adjustable relative to said proximate segment along the length such that when said first arm extends in a second direction transverse to both the upright direction and the first direction in a position of use, said distal segment is movable toward said proximate segment so as to be adapted to be pushed against a respective one of the lateral edges of the backrest, thereby firmly arresting movement of said mounting member relative to the chair;

an upright bar coupled to said mounting seat and extending in the upright direction; and

a hanging member disposed on said upright bar and adapted for hanging an article.

2. The hanger assembly as defined in Claim 1, wherein said proximate segment is provided with a series of spaced-apart retaining holes along the length, said distal segment being retained on and being slidable along said proximate segment so as to be movable toward and away from said proximate segment, thereby permitting retraction and extension of said gripping arm unit relative to said mounting seat in the second direction, said distal segment having an engaging portion configured to engage detachably a selected one of said retaining holes for retaining said distal segment on said proximate segment, and a grip portion opposite to said engaging portion along the length and adapted to be pushed against a respective one of the lateral edges of the backrest.

3. The hanger assembly as defined in Claim 2, wherein said proximate segment is connected pivotally to said mounting seat so as to be turnable relative to said mounting seat between the position of use, where said grip portion is adapted to abut against the respective one

of the lateral edges of the backrest, and a folded position, where said grip portion is disposed close to said mounting seat.

4. The hanger assembly as defined in Claim 3, wherein said gripping arm unit further includes a second arm of a construction symmetrical to said first arm, said first and second arms being connected respectively to two opposite sides of said mounting seat in the second direction.

5. The hanger assembly as defined in Claim 4, wherein said upright bar is displaceable retainingly in the upright direction.

6. The hanger assembly as defined in Claim 5, wherein said upright bar has a front surface and a rear surface opposite to said front surface in the first direction and disposed to confront said front side surface of said mounting seat, said mounting member further including a coupling seat that is movable in the first direction between a clamping position, where said coupling seat urges said rear surface of said upright bar to engage said front side surface, and a releasing position, where said rear surface is disengaged from said front side surface so as to permit movement of said upright bar in the upright direction between an upper position and a lower position, said hanger assembly further comprising a biasing member disposed to bias said coupling seat towards the clamping position.

7. The hanger assembly as defined in Claim 6, wherein said front surface of said upright bar has a plurality of positioning holes that are displaced from one another in the upright direction and that extend towards said rear surface, said coupling seat having an outer surface and an inner surface which is opposite to said outer surface in the first direction, which confronts said front side surface of said mounting seat, and which has a bore extending through said outer surface,

said hanger assembly further comprising a retaining latch that has a shank disposed in said bore and extendable in the first direction to engage a selected one of said positioning holes so as to position said upright bar in one of the upper and lower positions, and a head portion extending from said shank and outwardly of said outer surface of said coupling seat, and

an abutment member disposed on said shank and distal from said head portion, wherein said biasing member is a coiled spring which is sleeved on said shank and which has one end

proximate to said outer surface and an opposite end abutting against said abutment member such that when said head portion is pulled, said abutment member moves towards said outer surface against biasing action of said coiled spring to disengage said shank from said selected one of said positioning holes to place said coupling seat in the releasing position, thereby permitting movement of said upright bar in the upright direction.

8. The hanger assembly as defined in Claim 1, wherein said upright bar has a top end, said hanging member being a triangular hanger body that is connected to said top end of said upright bar by threaded engagement.

9. The hanger assembly as defined in Claim 1, wherein said upright bar has a top end, said hanging member being a triangular hanger body that has an upper portion formed with a slot for engaging said top end of said upright bar.

10. The hanger assembly as defined in Claim 1, wherein said hanging member is a hook.

11. The hanger assembly as defined in Claim 1, wherein said upright bar has a rear surface formed with a slideway extending in the upright direction, said hanger assembly further comprising a positioning member that includes a key with a head end retained slidably in said slideway and a threaded shank extending through said hooking member, and a nut for engaging threadedly said threaded shank, thereby positioning said upright bar on said hooking member.